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Application has been made to the Second Class Post Office at Washington, D. C. to have The Enterprise entered at the Post Office in Clayton, N. M. as Second Class Matter.

Woman suffrage is alright in theory, so far as purifying politics is concerned, notice how it works in Colorado?

We notice that there has been a few deaths from the heat in the East last week for an even temperature northeastern New Mexico can't be beat. We neither freeze to death, nor get a sun stroke.

It seems to us that if some of the residents of the North East part of our county, would circulate the necessary petition they could have Rural Free Delivery. As one hundred families on a thirty-five mile route, entitles them to it.

Town loyalty, says a valued exchange, demands not only a disposition and willingness to unite with other citizens in a movement which promises to be for the general good but also good works for the town in season and out of season. It demands a preference of home products, patronizing home business houses and home institutions, doing one individual share in maintaining and increasing the beauty and healthfulness of the town and, wherever possible, giving the vote the preference above all other communities.

From every state we hear the cry "Scarcity of timber" did you ever stop to think that if the man that first homesteaded a quarter section of public land five years ago and had planted five acres of it to timber, what it would be worth to day? One acre of land will grow four hundred trees five acres would produce two thousand trees, and by planting a tree adapted to the soil, stop and figure up what an acre would be worth for fence posts alone. Black Locust is a well known post timber. It grows rapidly, is well adapted to hard, stiff soil, and stands more drought than any other timber used for posts. These properties make it very popular in many parts of the west. Set out an acre or two on some of your waste land it is a safe investment.

The Legislature of each state and territory through which the C. & S. Ft Worth R. R. passes should give the so called "two roads" anything they ask for, in shape of privileges, when a Rail Road corporation will donate the services of their employees free of charge to haul, and guard the President's special, and then will not even grant excursion rates for the citizens along the line to attend the Reunion for which the President is making the trip south to meet the members of his Rough Riders brigade, "the services of which had a great deal to do with placing the President where he is to day, is to say the least, about as shabby a treatment as was ever accorded the patrons of any road, and stooping to as small a graft. Like the Commoner we wonder if President Roosevelt, can accept free rides from the corporations he says he is trying to subdue and be in earnest in the matter. A number of the Rough Riders were in our town Wednesday and asked by wire for rates, and received the encouraging answer—we can do nothing for you.

President Roosevelt

Will pass through Clayton some time in the forenoon of April 14th if the itinerary of the trip is carried out as now published. The President will travel by special train, in one of the most magnificent trains ever seen in this part of the country. The train will consist of three cars, the first of which is a composite car seventy feet long, a baggage compartment twenty two feet long a barber shop bath room, smoking room, library and buffet. Next is the private car "Forrest" seventy feet long, containing an observation room and eight sections of berths. The President's private car is the "Rocket," a compartment sleeper with four private sleeping compartments, and a dining room in the rear. The President will pass through here enroute from San Antonio, Texas; to Colorado, on his hunting trip.

New Marriage Law.

An Act regarding marriages, providing for uniform system of records therefor, and for other purposes. H. B. No. 129.

The act makes a license requisite before a marriage can be solemnized in the Territory. The license is to be obtained from the probate clerk, but parties residing more than ten miles from the county seat may make application for license to any person authorized to perform marriages who is to make no charge for securing such license for the contracting couple. The person who officiates at the marriage must require the production of the license before he can solemnize the marriage and must in addition satisfy himself as to the legal qualifications of the persons desiring to enter into the married state. The person officiating must certify the marriage to the probate clerk within ninety days after the ceremony, who shall record it in a properly indexed marriage record book. A fee of one dollar is to be paid the probate clerk for issuing the license and recording it. A copy of this act is to be posted by the probate clerk of each county in at least three conspicuous places in each precinct of the county. The act also prescribes the form of license, form of application and form of certificate. Violations of the law are punishable by a fine of from \$50 to \$100 and imprisonment of from ten to sixty days.

Resolutions.

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the universe, in His all-wise providence to remove from our midst our highly respected and much beloved brother Barton M. Wherritt. We desire to express in part the sorrow that we deeply feel. Be it therefore resolved, that we extend our expression of sorrow and heart felt sympathy, first of all to his brother Robert and the immediate relatives in their sad bereavement; secondly, that we sympathize deeply with his home lodge at Pleasant Hill, Mo., in their regret and grief; third, that his force among us will be sadly missed.

Be it further resolved, that one copy of these resolutions be sent to Mr. Robert Wherritt, a second to the Lodge at Pleasant Hill Mo., and a third be placed upon our records.

ROBERT H. DEAN
W. HUMB BROWN } Committee,
G. L. MARSH }

W. T. Lumpkin, of the Cimarron valley was in town the first of the week circulating a petition for the purpose of raising money to build a wagon road up Road Canyon as far as the Howard Ranch then up the South East side of the Canyon there to connect with the

Clayton Kenton road. The business men responded liberally and if Clayton expects to hold the title from that part of the county she had better see to it that there is a good road all the way for the Rail Road that is coming a cross Beaver County, Oklahoma; and on to Trinidad Colo. is not a paper road, and it behoves this city to be stir itself.

Mining Notes.

The past week has been a history making epoch for two mining districts of Northeastern Union County. The wonderful copper deposits of the Cimarron river and tributaries have at last attracted the attention they merit and it is now the prediction of scientific geologists and mineralogists that have been there, and made a study of the formations, during the past few months, that it is destined to be one of the great mineral producing regions of the world. And as this opinion comes unanimous from men that have spent a lifetime in the study of mineralogy even the skeptical are forced to give more than ordinary credence to the results of the investigation these men have made. For over twenty years the surface flashes of copper, gold and silver, that can be found in the plainly defined mineral track that comes out of Colorado and enters New Mexico in its Northeast corner, has attracted periodical attention from prospectors but as they were men of moderate means, and directed their investigations in a primitive way and but little progress was made by them until that wonderful whirlwind of human push and energy "Jared Sater" came, saw and conquered. He found the district in the pioneer period of pick and shovel, when all the capital the prospectors had to invest, would hardly buy a free lunch. He now with comparative ease capital flowing into the country by the thousands, and the rapid culmination of all his former hopes of final success.

The Coronado Copper Co. has recently acquired extensive interests in Peacock Canyon and will push development in a way that unlimited capital enables. The Company is composed of men who seem to have all the necessary qualities to make a success of any thing they might undertake. Next week we will try to give a few further facts in regards to the new Company, that is not now at hand.

Dr. H. W. Queen of Alva O. T. secretary of the Coronado Copper Co. has been quite sick at Alex McKenzie's, for a few days but hopes to be able to return home soon.

Cimarron Notes

Frank Forrest of Saterville has been dangerously sick for the past week but is slowly recovering under the treatment of Dr. Lane of Kenton.

Alex McKenzie is baptizing his sheep this week at his ranch on Tuckalate according to practical rites and method.

Jno. W. Foster, a member of the new Copper Co. has been detained by the rain several days longer than he wanted to stay but the annoyance was greatly abbreviated by the kind hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Alex McKenzie. Mr. Foster's home is in Wichita, Kansas.

Several of our citizens are absent this week attending to business at the County Seat Mrs. W. E. Davis and Son Will. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lumpkins and family are among the absent ones.

Grass is coming fast, especially in Flat-Head, Peacock, Like and Sheep-Pen Canyons and the cattle are beginning an energetic harvest. We are glad for them as the past severe winter has been unusually trying on their vitality.

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